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receipt of a copy of the judgment. The Governments of Andhra, Kerala and Mysore have expressed their intention to undertake similar legislation in those States and if it is done the movements of beedi factories from one State to another will be averted. This Government have suggested to the Governments of Andhra, Mysore and Kerala that a conference of all the Labour Ministers of the our Southern States may be held to consider this question.

II.—PRIVILEGE MOTIONS—cont.

(2) PUBLICATION OF A GARBED VERSION OF THE FINANCE MINISTER'S SPEECH ON 17TH MARCH 1960 IN THE "NAVA INDIA".

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The hon. Member has given notice of a Motion of Privilege. His letter reads as follows :

"Under Rule 184 of the Madras Assembly Rules, I give notice of a Privilege Motion regarding a twisted publication of the speech of the Minister for Finance in the Assembly on 17th March 1960 in the Tamil Daily 'NAVA INDIA' under the caption 'பணம் கொடுத்து மந்திரி பதவி' in its issue of the same day. Referring to Thiru. C. N. Annadurai, the paper has published as follows :—

"பணம் கொடுத்துக்கூட மந்திரி பதவி ஏற்கத் தயாராக இருப்பார்கள். ஏனென்றால் அவர்கள் பரம்பரையே அப்பேர்ப்பட்டது."

The Finance Minister in his speech did not mention the same words as published. This involves a question of privilege *prima facie*. May I therefore request the Hon. Speaker to refer this matter to the Committee of Privileges?

I enclose herewith a copy of "NAVA INDIA," dated 17th March 1960."

This will be taken up next week.

IV.—GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

(1) ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES.

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, I move :

"that, with reference to rule 183(1) of the Madras Legislative Assembly Rules, this Assembly do proceed, on a date to be fixed by the Hon. Speaker, to elect fifteen members to be members of the Committee of Privileges for the financial year 1960-61."

The motion was put and carried.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : In accordance with the regulations framed for the holding of elections according to the principle of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote, I fix 11 a.m. on Monday, the 21st March 1960, as the time within which nomination papers of candidates for election to the Committee of Privileges should reach the Secretary. Nomination forms can be had on application to the Secretary.

The nomination papers will be taken up for scrutiny at 3 p.m. on Monday, the 21st March 1960. I also fix 11 a.m. on Tuesday

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the 22nd March 1960 as the last hour and date for the withdrawal of candidature.

If the number of candidates nominated exceeds the number of seats to be filled, namely fifteen, a poll will be taken on Friday, the 25th March 1960, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

(2) ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE.

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, I move.—

“ That, with reference to rule 221 (1) of the Madras Legislative Assembly Rules, this Assembly do proceed, on a date to be fixed by the Hon. Speaker, to elect eleven members to be members of the House Committee for the financial year 1960-61. ”

The motion was put and carried.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : In accordance with the regulations framed for the holding of elections according to the principle of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote, I fix 11 a.m. on Monday, the 21st March 1960, the time within which nomination papers of candidates for election to the House Committee should reach the Secretary. Nomination forms can be had on application to the Secretary.

The nomination papers will be taken up for scrutiny at 4 p.m. on Monday, the 21st March 1960. I also fix 9 a.m. on Tuesday, the 22nd March 1960, as the last hour and date for the withdrawal of candidature.

If the number of candidates nominated exceeds the number of seats to be filled, namely, eleven, a poll will be taken on Wednesday, the 23rd March 1960, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

V.—PRESENTATION OF THE FINAL (THIRD) SUPPLEMENTARY STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR 1959-60.

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, I rise to present the Third Supplementary Estimates for the year 1959-60. The supplementary demand before the House is for Rs. 39.85 crores broken up as Rs. 9.84 crores on Revenue Account; Rs. 17.74 crores on Capital Account and the balance of Rs. 12.27 crores on Loans and Advances.

The magnitude of this is, no doubt, large but this only reflects the increasing tempo of plan activities and the large number of new schemes sanctioned during the year.

Hon. Members of this House will remember that when we presented the Budget Estimates for 1959-60, the Budget Estimates included estimates for a Plan of the size of only Rs. 34 crores and that now our expenditure during the current year on the Plan is expected to be Rs. 48 crores including Rs. 9.34 crores, the value of equipment received from Canada for the Kundah Project. Thus, there is a step up in Plan expenditure alone of the order of Rs. 14 to 15 crores nearly, which mainly accounts for the large supplementary demand.